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1. On 7 February 1947 a new denazification decree was issued in Saxony-Anhalt over the signature of Minister of the Interior Siewert and Minister of Economics and Transportation Thape, both SED members. This decree was not presented to the other political parties for approval and does not conform to the denazification decree previously approved by the entire provincial cabinet.

2. A translation of important sections of the new decree follows:

"The committees established by the order of 20 September 1945 for the political cleansing of the economy are to cease their activity. All documents on pending cases are to be turned over through the respective mayor or Landrat to new committees to be formed by the FDGB.

"In all closed cases in which the person affected was found not guilty, a supplementary investigation is to be undertaken. In all cases of doubt the new committees will reconsider the evidence.

"In cases of sequestered property the following procedure will govern:

- a. If the decision was in favor of confiscation, the decision stands.
- b. If the decision was against confiscation, the decision will be reconsidered.
- c. In pending cases the procedure will be as in (a) and (b) above.

"The new committees will consist of the following:

- 1. One representative of the FDGB as Chairman.
- 2. One representative of each of the three Parties.
- 3. One representative of shop council of the enterprise concerned.
- 4. One representative (non-voting) of the industrial branch concerned."

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